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A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program

*ENVS101 with
Dr. Telligman
enjoyed an
afternoon lab at
the Pacolet
Heritage Preserve.*



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Student Farmers Needed



An ENVS 203 tradition is a field lab at Crowder's Mountain, where students observe the vast scale of erosion that has exposed a mineral, kyanite, that originally crystallized in a subduction zone about 350 million years ago, prior to the formation of supercontinent Pangea.



Do you love fresh local food? Do you wish you spent more time outside? Do you want to join a growing movement and help revitalize Spartanburg? You can do it! Wofford is partnering with the Hub City Urban Farm and hiring two student farmers for the rest of the fall – possibly the rest of the year. You'll learn how to raise fruit and vegetables, of course, but you'll also learn how to run a farm, how to plan for next year, and how to connect the farm with the community. Whether you're the kind of person who might want to be a farmer after college, or you just want to work outside after a morning in class, this will be a great job for you.

The job will take about eight hours a week, and will pay \$8.50 an hour. You'll work under Meg Whiteley, Hub City's farmer, and Dr. Amy Telligman. Experience is nice, but

not necessary. If you're interested, job details are available at Terrierblackbook.com (see link below). Please have your resume reviewed by The Space prior to submission. In your letter of application, please list three goals for the experience, indicating what you hope to get out of the job. The deadline for applications will be Wednesday, October 4.

<https://app.purplebriefcase.com/pb/account/login?s=Wofford>



Hub City Urban Farm

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

September 30th
 9:00am-11:00am
 Cottonwood Trail

Trail Clean Up Day: Partners for Active Living & Trees Coalition are hosting this event along the Cottonwood Trail. Volunteers will be removing invasive plants along the trail. Wear long pants and bring your own water. Contact Newt Hardie, 864-582-0990 or Ned Barrett, nbarrett@active-living.org to sign up.

September 30th
 2:00pm-4:30pm
 Front Lawn of Old Main &
 Entrance Fountain

Wofford Outdoors Fall Festival: Join in the fun with a climbing wall and kayaking in the fountain! Food available and booths from local shops. Questions? Contact Mary Kathryn McGregor, mgregormm@email.wofford.edu.

October 14th
 9:00am-2:00pm
 Timkens Community Center,
 Cowpens

Pacolet River Sweep: Spartanburg Parks is hosting a clean-up day in Cowpens. Volunteers will meet at Timkens Community Center, 180 Foster St., 29330. Lunch will follow and participants will get a free t-shirt. Sign up at:

<https://secure.rec1.com/SC/spartanburg-county-parks-dept/catalog>

October 24th
 9:00am
 Anna Todd Wofford Room

Opening Session for Wofford Culture of Sustainability Lecture Series: Join us for a discussion of the state of sustainability at Wofford.

October 24th
 11:00am
 Anna Todd Wofford Room

“What Can a Culture of Sustainability Look Like on a Small Liberal Arts College Campus?” This lunch discussion will be facilitated by Jack Byrne, director of the sustainability integration office at Middlebury College, and Wes Dripps, associate professor of earth and environmental sciences at Furman University.

October 24th
 4:00pm
 Snyder House 1st floor
 conference room

Presentations by First Year LLC Students: Join us for Dr. Telligman’s Living Learning Community as they present topics related to sustainability.

October 25th
 7:00pm
 Olin 101

Milliken Sustainability and Public Health Lecture: Dr. Juan Declet-Barreto is a geographer specializing in vulnerability and human health outcomes of environmental hazards aggravated by climate change. He will speak on *Environmental and Social Science at the Policy-Research Interface*.

October 30th
 7:00pm
 Leonard Auditorium

Wofford Culture of Sustainability Lecture Series: Nathaniel Smith is director of partnerships of equitable development at Emory University’s Center for Community Partnerships and the founder of Partnership for Southern Equity. He will be here to speak on community sustainability.

PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

Iowa State University – Sustainable Agriculture Program

The State of Iowa is the natural location for the nation’s first comprehensive graduate program in sustainable agriculture because it is one of the most rain-fed agricultural regions in the world.

Iowa State University has the first graduate program in sustainable agriculture and boasts many “firsts” in agricultural research and teaching. Among those “firsts” are: the first land-grant university, the first to offer forestry and dairy science, the first Masters of Science degree in farm mechanics, and a leader in sustainable agricultural research with the largest group of faculty working

on sustainable agricultural issues.

The issues that face the agricultural industry today are complex and jobs are available in research, education, the food systems industries, governmental policy, non-governmental organizations, and commercial agriculture. Students who graduate with a Master’s of Science in sustainable agriculture are highly qualified to deal with environmental, agronomic, and social challenges facing the industry.

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